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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Heavy precipitation occurred again this week with a brief break about Friday and Saturday. Weekly totals exceeded an inch and a half at nearly all sites, and amounts of 3 to 5 inches were common. Local downpours from Kearney County to Merrick County brought even larger amounts. Hail fell at a number of points. Rivers that were unable to carry all of the water spilled over and gave extensive lowland flooding in the eastern portion of the State. As the week ended, heavy showers fell again in the northeast and extreme southeast. Temperatures averaged from four to seven degrees below normal in the Panhandle and slightly below normal elsewhere. The cloudy, wet weather brought mild nights and cool days.

CROPS Crop damage from floods, standing water, and hail was widespread. Condition of all grain crops showed a decline during the week. Wheat was hit hard by hail in western sections and flattened in eastern fields where flooding was severe. Standing water was killing plants in saturated fields. Damage from earlier freezing temperatures in some central and western counties was becoming more apparent as heads failed to fill.

The wheat crop was headed in nearly all parts of the State. About a fifth of the crop was turning color. Oats were headed in the southern counties and making good progress elsewhere except in flooded sections.

Condition of row crops declined reflecting damage from flood, lack of sunshine, and a serious weed situation. Not all of the row crops got planted before the rains. Planting activity has been at a standstill for more than three weeks in most sections. Much replanting will be required. Farmers are shifting their plans on acreage intended for corn and hybrid milo to early maturing sorghums and soybeans. Weeds are serious in most places. Much acreage has been sprayed for weed control, but a big job of cultivation remains. Field work was at a standstill last week, except in the Southwest District. Some work started in the southeast counties over the week end.

Pastures, range feed, and hay improved following generous rains. About 45 percent of the first cutting of alfalfa is finished. Some of the crop is still in windrows.

LIVESTOCK Livestock losses have been light during the turbulent weather last week. Feedlots are excessively muddy, holding down gains. New pasture grass is getting lush, but pasturing has been restricted by wet conditions. Shipments of stocker and feeder cattle into Nebraska during May amounted to 99,000 head, 13 percent below the 114,000 head in May 1966. Sheep and lamb arrivals were 8,000 compared with 7,000 last year.

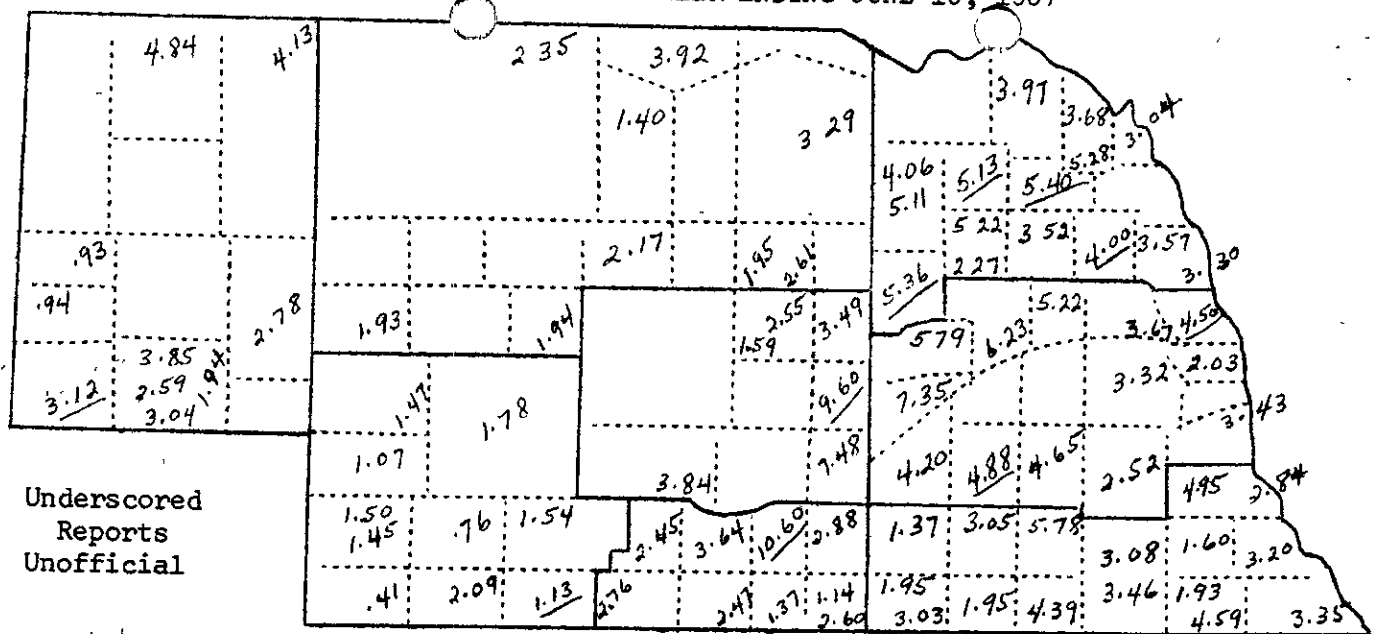
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 18, 1967

East		Central		West	
Grand Island	5.50	Burwell	2.16	Chadron	3.31
Lincoln	1.33	North Platte	.92	Imperial	1.15
Norfolk	4.02	Valentine	2.11	Scottsbluff	.31
Omaha	1.34			Sidney	2.25
Sioux City	2.95				

Precipitation, April 1 - June 16, 1967

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	2.78	2.46	3.97	3.99	4.28	1.41	2.98	3.15
Total since April 1	10.61	8.99	13.19	12.44	15.34	8.70	12.01	13.08
Normal since April 1	6.49	7.42	8.30	8.06	8.54	6.96	8.04	9.31

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 16, 1967



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		June 12th		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th		18th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	74	55	77	58	72	55	57	44	71	51	77	60	85	55
	Scottsbluff	72	50	75	53	72	56	63	48	70	51	76	56	85	52
	Sidney	73	49	75	51	73	50	66	49	66	50	76	54	80	54
NC	Burwell	82	58	81	61	83	62	80	56	65	54	76	57	81	58
	Valentine	80	57	80	60	73	58	74	54	68	51	76	56	84	53
NE	Norfolk	82	63	80	60	83	61	84	63	69	61	75	60	79	62
	Sioux City	80	64	79	67	82	67	85	65	75	65	74	67	77	64
CEN	Grand Island	80	64	82	62	85	64	83	62	72	59	78	61	82	66
EC	Lincoln	81	68	86	62	88	69	87	65	77	63	77	63	81	68
	Omaha	82	67	83	63	86	67	87	63	75	62	76	64	78	66
SW	Imperial	78	59	81	63	81	53	77	55	71	51	77	59	86	58
	North Platte	79	60	80	61	81	59	77	56	68	48	74	58	82	56

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